GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:217
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2004
CONSTRUCTION OF RUBBERISED ROADS
Athawale Shri Ramdas

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether experiments for the construction of rubberised roads have been carried out;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount earmarked for this purpose indicating the utilisation thereof till date;

(d) whether the Government proposes to construct rubberised roads in the capital; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which construction of such roads would commence in the capital?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 217 FOR ANSWER ON 15.12.2004 ASKED BY SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF RUBBERISED ROADS

(a)to(c) The Ministry had carried out a study under the Research Scheme R-54 amounting to Rs 7.46 lakhs to investigate the effect of use of rubber and polymer modified bitumen in improving the performance of the roads. The study was completed in the year 2000.

(d)&(e) The use of polymer / rubber modified bitumen has been approved for surfacing works of improvement projects on National Highway No.1 and 2 in an aggregate length of 18.5 kilometres in the capital. The work on these projects is in progress.